

identify and that would be of interest to the body?

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: I am not aware of any gross injustices. I think that it is important for each of us, though, to prevent any injustice from occurring, and for that reason it is necessary that we...that we should say in statute that which is now being said by regulation to make certain that injustices are less likely to occur.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Well, I am a great believer in the prevention of injustice, Senator Johnson, but it just appears to me that there is a great deal of overwhelming support for this sort of an effort from the Department of Revenue, but then from time to time, individuals might not be quite as well protected and I guess in view of some of the problems we have had in the past that there might be some reason why this might be necessary, but is there any reason, does this have any bearing whatsoever with...that might have taken place with Commonwealth, or with State Security, or any other corporation that might have had some obligation or responsibility to the Department of Revenue?

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: I know of none. I mean I don't know of any relationship between this amendment and either Commonwealth or State Security or any other financial institution.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Thank you. Mr. President and members, just want to say this, that most of the corporate entities with which I am acquainted, and I am acquainted with a few, have on hand some considerable legal staff and have at their disposal resources far beyond that of an individual. I can appreciate the Department of Revenue, and I can appreciate the Chairman of the committee's concern about justice, and I guess that I would just have to say that at this point in time, without being able to give us any specific reason why this is necessary, I would have to just say I am not going to vote for the amendment nor for the bill. I am sure there are some good reasons that Senator Johnson has but, again, we are doing exactly what we have done many times in the past and I can't believe that this has been going on all these years, and then all of a sudden, we stand up here to correct it in a few minutes on a Tuesday morning and, again, with the exception of the Revenue Committee and the Chairman, very little is known about the amendment or the bill. I am not going to vote for it.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Any other discussion on the committee amendments? Senator Johnson, to close.